

## OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

COMPTROLLER

23 April 1954

Dear Senator Hayden:

With further reference to your memoranda of March 31st and April 21st concerning the requirements for new construction at Ft. Huachuca, the Department of the Army has sent me the attached information and as a result of discussions with representatives of the Army, it appears that the planning is proceeding in an orderly and satisfactory manner. Although it is not a permanent post, immediate steps are now being taken to so designate it. Personnel are being assigned to Ft. Huachuca to carry out the new missions.

With respect to construction, you understand that the authorization bill for the 1955 program has already been submitted and it is not believed practicable at this time in view of the limited time available before Congress is anticipated to adjourn since this is an election year, to include either through the budget or by action initiated on the part of the Senate, to amend the proposed bill by including authorizations for the Huachuca projects concerning which we have had discussions. It is contemplated at this time, however, that every effort will be made to include the Ft. Huachuca projects listed in your memo of April 21st, in the projects in the authorization bill and in the request for appropriations for the Fiscal Year 1956. Of course it would be one year before this action could be favorably considered.

Sincerely,

R. S. Moore

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Attachment

Honorable Carl Hayden United States Senate